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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re Application of:	Examiner: J. Brusca
CASE et al.	Group Art Unit: 1631
Serial No.: 09/941,450	Confirmation No.: 6791
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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

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Sir:

The following extension of time is requested in order to respond to the Office Action mailed July 16, 2003, for which a response was initially due on or before October 16, 2003.

 X Three months to January 16, 2004. The extension fee is \$950.00.

 X A check to cover the \$950.00 extension fee is attached.

 Charge \$ to Deposit Account No. 18-1648.

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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required by this paper, or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 18-1648.

Respectfully submitted,

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